

REMARKS

This response to the Office Action mailed on November 6, 2003 cancels claims 30, 38, 42, and 48-56, amends claims 31, 33-34, 36, 37, 39, 41, and 43-45, and adds no new claims. As a result, claims 31-37, 39-41, and 43-47 remain pending in the Application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 39-40 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 39 has been so rewritten. Claim 40 depends from allowable claim 39.

§103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 30-38 and 41-47 were rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as unpatentable over Kazama (U.S. 6,174,172) in view of Kulesza et al. (U.S. 5,611,140).

Claims 30, 38, 42, and 48-56 are canceled, but without prejudice against their reintroduction into this or another application.

Claims 31-37 are redirected to depend from claim 39. Because these claims now incorporate all the recitations of allowable claim 39, they also become allowable.

Claim 44 is amended to include the elements of claim 39, including "a polymer tape applied to the adhesive layer" and "a ground and power circuit on the polymer tape." Accordingly, this claim also distinguishes the cited references.

Claims 43 and 45-47 have been redirected to depend from amended claim 44, and thus incorporate all the recitations of that claim.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Conclusion

For the above and other reasons, the Application now meets all statutory requirements. Applicant respectfully requests reexamination under 35 USC §132 and allowance of the claims. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6971 if deemed helpful to advance the prosecution of the Application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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